

President and Mrs. Taft Entertain at Dinner; Members of Cabinet and Wives Guests of Honor

First State Dinner of the Season At White House.

Enjoyable Innovation Was the Musicales Which Followed.

The President and Mrs. Taft entertained at the first state dinner of the season last evening with the members of the Cabinet and their wives as the guests of honor.

The entire suite of state apartments were tastefully decorated for the occasion and the table, which was set with the handsome gold service, was adorned with several large mounds of Killarney roses down the center.

An enjoyable innovation was the musicales which followed the dinner, the artists of the occasion being Mrs. F. A. Seiberling, soprano; Evan Williams, tenor; and Mrs. Katharine Bruce, at the piano.

The guests at the dinner were: The Vice President and Mrs. Sherman, The Secretary of State, The Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. MacVeagh.

The Attorney General and Mrs. Wickesham, The Postmaster General, Mrs. Meyer.

The Secretary of the Interior and Mrs. Ballinger, The Secretary of Agriculture, The Secretary of Commerce and Labor and Mrs. Nagel.

The Secretary to the President and Mrs. Norton, Senator Keen, Senator and Mrs. Dick, Senator Burton.

The Governor of Delaware, The Governor of New Jersey, The Governor of Virginia and Mrs. Mann.

The Governor of Illinois and Mrs. Denen, The Governor of California, The Chief of Staff of the Army and Mrs. Wood.

The Assistant Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. Hilles, The Assistant Secretary of War and Mrs. Oliver.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Stimson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Evan Williams, Miss Keen.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Seiberling, Miss Effie Gillett, Miss Ethel Gillett, Miss L. A. Cutler.

Miss Taft, Charles H. Clark, Col. and Mrs. Spencer Cosby, Lieut. Com. Leigh C. Palmer.

Capt. Archibald W. Butt, The musical program included: "Sound an Alarm," Handel, "All Through the Night," "Little Boy Blue," "Prize Song," Wagner.

"Hindoo Song," Bemberg, "Po' L'il Lamb," C. J. Bond, "Charity," McDermid.

"Ah, Love, But a Day," Proberoe, "Murmuring Zephyrs," Jensen, "Spirit Song," Old English, "Drink to Me Only," Bartlett, "A Dream," Gounod.

Mr. Williams, Duet, "Passage Bird's Farewell," Hildach, Mrs. Seiberling and Mr. Williams, Mrs. Katharine Bruce, at the piano.

The French Ambassador and Madame Jusserand were hosts at dinner last evening. Their guests were Gen. A. W. Greely, U. S. A., and Mrs. Greely, Mr. and Mrs. George Haven Putnam and the Misses Putnam, of New York; Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Hauge, Arthur Jeffrey Parsons, John B. Henderson, Jr., the Counselor of the Embassy and Mme. Lefevre Pontalis, and the First Secretary and Mme. de Peretti de la Rocca.

Miss Clover Issues Cards for Dinner Dance

Miss Clover, daughter of Rear Admiral and Mrs. Richardson Clover, U. S. N., has cards out for a dinner dance Christmas eve.

Miss Beatrice Clover, who will come home from St. Timothy's School, at Catonsville, Md., next week for the holidays, will give a dance for young people on the evening of January 3.

Mrs. John W. Yerkes and Miss Yerkes will entertain at tea Wednesday, December 22, from 3 to 7 o'clock, to meet Mrs. C. R. Anderson, of Danville, Ky.

Miss Mary McCauley has as her house guest for several days Miss Flichtner, of New York.

George Wiltshire, of New York, will arrive in Washington this afternoon to be the guest of his cousin, Miss Maltland Marshall, daughter of Brig. Gen. William L. Marshall, U. S. A., and Mrs. Marshall, for the week end.

Mrs. Roscoe C. Bulmer is spending a few days in New York.

Senator and Mrs. Aldrich have gone to their place in Massachusetts, where they will remain until after the holidays.

Dr. and Mrs. Wallace Neff will entertain at a large tea Wednesday, December 22, for their daughter, Miss Nancy Neff.

Dr. and Mrs. Neff and Miss Neff, who spent the last three years in Europe, have taken an apartment at the Connecticut for the winter.

Mrs. McKenna, wife of Mr. Justice McKenna, will give a luncheon in compliment to Miss Neff Monday.

Miss Helen Taft

To Be Guest of Honor.

Dr. and Mrs. Henry Krogstad are giving a dinner of twenty covers to night for their daughter, Miss Jessie Krogstad, in honor of Miss Helen Taft.

On Tuesday, December 20, Miss Gertrude Gordon, daughter of James B. Gordon, is giving a tea for Miss Taft.

Miss Marie Ray

Makes Her Debut Today.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Ray, of Georgetown, will entertain at a large tea this afternoon from 5 to 7 o'clock, to present their daughter, Miss Marie Ray.

Assisting in receiving the guests will be Miss Marta Calvo, Miss Mildred Bacon, Miss Alice Wright, Miss Ruth Parker, Miss Marian Edmonston King, Miss Catherine Poole, and Miss Antoinette Ray, the school-girl sister of the debutante.

Mrs. Carter, wife of Senator Thomas H. Carter, of Montana; Mrs. Adele Douglas Hillyer, Mrs. William Gwynne, Mrs. M. J. Colbert, Mrs. L. B. Danne-miller, wife of Lieutenant Danne-miller, U. S. A., and Miss Sullivan will preside in the dining room.

Asparagus ferns, palms and clusters of Killarney roses will form the decorations in the reception hall, drawing rooms and music room and the dining room will be in red roses and spruce. A string orchestra, stationed in the balcony, will play throughout the afternoon.

Mrs. Ray will receive her guests in a gown of gold satin veiled in blue chiffon with touches of silver and gold lace and natural colored marabou.

The debutante will wear soft white satin elaborately embroidered on the bodice in pearls and draped in marquette. She will carry a colonial bouquet of orchids and lilies of the valley.

A dinner of twenty-six covers will follow the tea.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin K. Lane were hosts at dinner last evening in compliment to Miss Helen Hyde, the house guest of the Netherlands Minister and Mme. Louison. The additional guests were the Minister and Mme. Louison, Senator Dillingham, Mrs. Bixler, and the United States Treasurer, Lee McCune.

Mrs. J. C. Pilling Is Hostess at Luncheon

Mrs. J. C. Pilling was hostess at luncheon today, asking her guests to meet Mrs. A. H. Fowler and Mrs. William Bishop, of Chicago, who are spending the winter in Washington.

In the company invited to meet Mrs. Fowler and Mrs. Bishop were Mrs. Thomas Nelson Page, Mrs. Adolphus W. Greely, Mrs. Isham Hornsby, Mrs. Samuel Spencer, Mrs. William H. Carter, Mrs. Ralph Clarkson, and Mrs. Duff.

Mrs. Thomas H. Anderson will leave Washington tomorrow for a week's visit to her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Piney Lilley, of Waterbury, Conn. Justice Anderson will join them the latter part of the week for Christmas.

The day after Christmas Justice and Mrs. Anderson will return to Washington, and will have their guests for the holiday week their nephews, Ross Augustine and Thomas Henry, August-tine.

Mrs. Albert Akin, of New York, arrived in Washington today to visit her parents, the Attorney General and Mrs. Wickersham for a month. Mr. Akin will spend the holidays here with Mrs. Akin.

Sir Robert and Lady Hadfield, brother-in-law and sister of the Attorney General, arrived in Washington yesterday from the Virginia Hot Springs, and have taken possession of the house, 233 Sheridan circle, for the winter.

Mrs. McGowan, wife of Rear Admiral John McGowan, U. S. N., was hostess at an informal luncheon today.

Miss Katharine McNeal will give a piano recital at her studio, 1215 Connecticut avenue, Sunday afternoon.

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Miss Louise Bayne Honor Guest At Girls' Tea This Afternoon.

Miss Frances Miller Entertains—Many Out-of-Town Guests.

Miss Louise Bayne, one of the most attractive debutantes of the season, will be the honor guest of Miss Frances Miller at a girls' tea this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

The house will be decorated for the occasion in holly, mistletoe and poinsettia blossoms, sent to the hostess from South Carolina.

The tea table, which will have a centerpiece of holly and mistletoe, will be presided over by Mrs. Allan Buchanan, of Annapolis, who is spending a few days with Miss Miller, and Mrs. Walter McLean, wife of Captain McLean, U. S. N.; Mrs. Frank Palmer, of New York, a cousin of Miss Miller, and Mrs. Savage, of Norfolk, who are house guests, will assist in the dining room.

Assisting in receiving the guests will be Miss Alice Boutell, Miss Stella Carusell, Miss Robyn Young, Miss Edith Grace, Miss Dorothy Deebie, Miss Alice Wright, Miss Hazel Cox, and Miss Adeline Culp.

Miss Miller will wear a gown of pale blue chiffon cloth over satin, trimmed with broad satin bands and crystal embroidery.

The dance was preceded by a large dinner in compliment to Miss Doris Hayward, who made her debut this week.

Funeral Tomorrow For Miss Alexander

Funeral services for Miss Eve Alexander, daughter of John H. and Margaret Alexander, of Alkin, Cecil county, Md., who died Wednesday at her home, will be held from St. Mark's Chapel, at Alkin tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Miss Alexander was a resident of Baltimore for some time. The train leaving the Baltimore Union Station at 1 p. m. will be met at Perryville, Md.

Collect Indemnity.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 16.—The British cruiser Brilliant is expected in Ceiba, Honduras, today to collect an indemnity from the Honduran government for the murder by Honduran officers some months ago of a British subject. The man was a Jamaica negro. The recently appointed governor of the town, General Medina, is the man held responsible by the British for the murder.

Club To Give Smoker.

The National Republican Club will formally open its rooms at 1347 Pennsylvania avenue northwest with a smoker Saturday night. A program of vocal and instrumental music will be rendered.

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